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## LETTER B

TRANSMITTAL LETTER WITH INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 CFT 1.97 (1) (a), Applicant submits an Information Disclosure Statement in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98. and copies of each of the U.S. patents listed therein.

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